

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Notice to File Missing Parts of Application, Filing Date Granted mailed July 12, 2004, a copy of which is attached hereto, Applicants hereby authorize the United States Patent and Trademark Office to charge the filing fee, and surcharge of \$900.00 to Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (Order No. 4378D3). The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any excess payments to Deposit Account No. 01-2213 (Order No. 4378D3). This response is enclosed in duplicate.

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Items Required To Avoid Abandonment:

An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given TWO MONTHS from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing. Applicant must submit \$ 770 to complete the basic filing fee for a non-small entity. If appropriate, applicant may make a written assertion of entitlement to small entity status and pay the small entity filing fee (37 CFR 1.27).
- To avoid abandonment, a late filing fee or oath or declaration surcharge as set forth in 37 CFR 1.16(e) of \$130 for a non-small entity, must be submitted with the missing items identified in this letter.

SUMMARY OF FEES DUE:

Total additional fee(s) required for this application is \$900 for a Large Entity

- \$770 Statutory basic filing fee.
- \$130 Late oath or declaration Surcharge.

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A copy of this notice <u>MUST</u> be returned with the reply.

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